5   CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1.   A method of accessing functions in a mobile communication device comprising:

10   dynamically updating an event list responsive to designated events;

        displaying said event list to a user on a display;

        associating a menu item in a hierarchical menu with each event in said event list;

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        invoking the associated menu item in said hierarchical menu responsive to

15   selection of an event from said event list by said user.

2.   The method of claim 1 wherein dynamically updating an event list responsive to

designated events comprises adding events to said event list when a new event occurs.

20   3.   The method of claim 1 wherein dynamically updating an event list responsive to

designated events comprises deleting events from said event list responsive to user

actions.

4.   The method of claim 1 wherein said event list is displayed responsive to entry of

25   a shortcut command by said user.

5.   The method of claim 1 further comprising sorting said event list before said event

list is displayed.

30   6.   The method of claim 5 wherein said event list is sorted in time order.

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5   7.   The method of claim 5 wherein said event list is sorted based on priorities

assigned to said events on said event list.

8.   The method of claim 7 wherein said priorities are assigned to said events on said

event list by a user.

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9.   The method of claim 5 wherein said event list is sorted based on usage statistics

associated with said events on said event list.

5   10.   A mobile communication device comprising:

a display for displaying menu items in a hierarchical menu for selection by a

user;

a memory for storing an event list;

a processor to:

10   dynamically update said event list responsive to designated events;

display said event list on a display for viewing by a user;

associate a menu item in a hierarchical menu with each event in said event

list; and

invoke the associated menu item in said hierarchical menu responsive to

15   selection by said user of an event from said event list.

11.   The mobile communication device of claim 10 wherein the processor adds

events to said event list when a new designated event occurs.

20   12.   The mobile communication device of claim 10 wherein the processor deletes

events from said event list responsive to user actions.

13.   The mobile communication device of claim 10 wherein the processor displays

said event list responsive to entry of a shortcut command by said user.

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14.   The mobile communication device of claim 10 wherein said processor sorts said

event list before said event list is displayed.

15.   The mobile communication device of claim 14 wherein said processor sorts said

30   event list in time order.

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16. The mobile communication device of claim 14 wherein said processor sorts said event list based on priorities assigned to said events on said event list.

17. The mobile communication device of claim 16 wherein said priorities are
10 assigned to said events on said event list by a user.

18. The mobile communication device of claim 10 wherein said processor sorts said event list based on usage statistics associated with said events on said event list.

5   19.   A circuit for controlling a user interface including a display, said circuit comprising

a processor programmed to:

generate and dynamically update an event list responsive to designated

events;

display said event list on said display for viewing by a user;

10   associate a menu item in a hierarchical menu with each event in said event

list; and

invoke the associated menu item in said hierarchical menu responsive to

selection by said user of an event from said event list.

15   20.   The circuit of claim 19 wherein the processor adds events to said event list when

a new designated event occurs.

21.   The circuit of claim 19 wherein the processor deletes events from said event list

responsive to user actions.

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22.   The circuit of claim 19 wherein the processor displays said event list responsive

to entry of a shortcut command by said user.

23.   The circuit of claim 19 wherein said processor sorts said event list before said

25   event list is displayed.

24.   The circuit of claim 23 wherein said processor sorts said event list in time order.

25.   The circuit of claim 23 wherein said processor sorts said event list based on

30   priorities assigned to said events on said event list.

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26.   The circuit of claim 25 wherein said priorities are assigned to said events on said

event list by a user.

27.   The circuit of claim 19 wherein said processor sorts said event list based on

10   usage statistics associated with said events on said event list.

5   28.   A computer program stored in a computer readable medium for controlling a user

interface in a mobile communication device, said program including instructions to cause

said mobile communication device to:

    generate and dynamically update an event list responsive to designated

        events;

10   display said event list on a display for viewing by a user;

    associate a menu item in a hierarchical menu with each event in said event

        list; and

    invoke the associated menu item in said hierarchical menu responsive to

        selection by said user of an event from said event list.

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